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(U) Sacramento – Two Deadly Shootings Reported on New Year's Day

(U) There were two deadly shootings reported in the city on New Year's Day. First, a man died and a 15-year-old girl was hospitalized with non-life-threatening gunshot injuries following a shooting on 42nd Street in Oak Park around 3:05 a.m., Sacramento police said. Another shooting was reported around 6:32 a.m. on 17th Avenue in the Tahoe Park area with three victims. A man who was shot was pronounced dead at the scene, Sacramento police said. Two women were taken to a local hospital with gunshot injuries where one later died, police said. It is not believed that both shootings are related. SOURCE: 2 January 2021, KCRA3

(U) Tulelake – Ku Klux Klan Flyers Dropped at Homes

(U) Some 15 to 20 packages filled with rice and Ku Klux Klan flyers were scattered around the doorsteps of homes and businesses of Tulelake, a small town in northern California near the Oregon border, according to police. The fliers claim the "radical left" was trying to steal the 2020 election and institute a Communist agenda. Tulelake Police Chief Tony Ross said that KKK recruitment paraphernalia also appeared in town about four years ago.

SOURCE: 31 December 2020, CBS Sacramento

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(U) Pennsylvania – Seven Charged with Felonies in Vandalism to Federal Buildings

(U) Philadelphia – Seven people are facing felony charges after at least two federal buildings in Philadelphia were vandalized on New Year's Eve and the discovery of what police said were Molotov cocktails and other suspicious devices. Officers reported spotting about 50 people, all in black, around 8:30 p.m. at the historic US Customs House, police said. A man was seen throwing a brick through the windows of a federal building and courthouse shortly before 9 p.m. Damage to the federal building was estimated at \$3,000.

SOURCE: 2 January 2021, AP News

(U) Tennessee – Nashville Bomber Sent Material to 'Acquaintances'

(U) Nashville – Prior to his death, the man who detonated a Christmas Day bomb in downtown Nashville had sent out materials about his views to people he knew, federal investigators said. FBI Special Agent Jason Pack said authorities are "aware the suspect sent materials which espoused his viewpoints to several acquaintances throughout the country." Pack did not release additional details about what the packages from Anthony Quinn Warner contained but he urged anyone who may have received material from Warner to contact the FBI.

SOURCE: 2 January 2021, Fox News

(U) Texas – Pastor Dead, Two Hurt in Shooting at Texas Church

(U) Winona – A pastor was killed and two other people were injured in a shooting at an East Texas church after the pastor confronted a man who had hidden from police in the church overnight, a local sheriff said. Authorities had been using dogs and drones to search for the man in woods near Winona following a car chase, and the pastor of the nearby Starrville Methodist Church discovered him hiding in

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a church bathroom, Smith County Sheriff Larry Smith said at a news conference. Smith said he did not know why the man was initially being pursued but that the license plates on his vehicle were "fictitious." SOURCE: 3 January 2021, ABC News

(U) Wisconsin – Kenosha Preparing for Demonstrations Amid Police Shooting Charging Decision

(U) Kenosha – The city of Kenosha, Wisconsin, is making preparations for demonstrations when a charging decision comes over the police shooting of Jacob Blake, authorities said. Kenosha saw civil unrest and large demonstrations against racism and police brutality in August after police shot Blake, an African-American man, who was left paralyzed from the waist down. The decision is likely to come within the first two weeks of January, Mayor John Antaramian and Police Chief Daniel Miskinis said in a statement.

SOURCE: 4 January 2021, Reuters

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(U) Niger - Attacks on Two Villages Kill at Least 100 People

(U) Niamey – Islamic extremists staged attacks on two villages in Niger near its border with Mali, killing at least 100 people, Niger's prime minister said. Prime Minister Brigi Rafini travelled to the two villages of Tchombangou and Zaroumdareye a day after the attack. The villages in the insecure Tillaberi region were attacked after locals killed two fighters, local officials said, taking place the same day as the West African nation's electoral commission announced that presidential elections would be heading to a second round.

SOURCE: 3 January 2021, ABC News

(U) Pakistan – ISIS Claims Responsibility for Attack That Kills 11

(U) Quetta – The Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) claimed responsibility for an attack on Sunday that killed 11 miners from Pakistan's minority Shi'ite Hazaras in Baluchistan province. The attack took place early yesterday morning in the Mach area of Bolan district approximately 60 miles southeast of Baluchistan's capital Quetta, killing the miners who were in a shared residential room near the coal mine where they worked, officials said.

SOURCE: 3 January 2021, Reuters

(U) Somalia – Five Killed, 14 Wounded in Suicide Attack

(U) Mogadishu – A suicide bombing killed five people including two Turks, Turkish and Somali officials said. The al-Qa'ida-linked al-Shabab extremist group claimed responsibility for the attack in a post by its Shahada News Agency. Turkish Security sources said the suicide attacker used a motorcycle. They said the attack took place 8 miles from a Turkish military base, which was not affected.

SOURCE: 2 January 2021, US News

(U) Syria – Militants Attack Bus, Killing Nine

(U) Damascus – Syrian state media says militants have ambushed buses traveling down a highway in central Syria, killing nine people, including a 13-year old girl. The ambush is the second this week to target buses traveling between government-controlled areas and to be blamed on suspected ISIS militants. Another attack last week killed nearly 30 people, most of them soldiers returning home for the holidays.

SOURCE: 3 January 2021, KVOA

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